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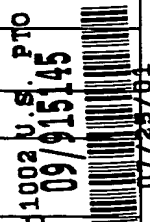
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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

1. ☒ Specification Total Pages 10

2. ☒ Drawing(s) (35USC 113) Total Pages 2

3. ☒ Declaration and Power of Attorney Total Pages 3

a. ☒ Unexecuted(original or copy)

b. ☐ Copy from prior application (37CFR 1.63(d))
(for continuation/divisional with Box 14 completed)

[Note Box 4 Below]

i. ☐ **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**

Signed statement attached deleting Inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

4. ☐ Incorporation By Reference (usable if Box 3b is checked)
The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which

copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 3b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

5. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & documentation)

6. ☒ Letter under 37 CFR 1.41(c).

7. ☐ English Translation Document to follow (if applicable)

8. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations

9. ☒ Preliminary Amendment

10. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)
(Should be specifically itemized)

11. ☐ Small Entity ☐ Statement filed in prior Application, Statement(s) Status still proper and desired

12. ☒ Certified copy of Japanese priority document No. P2000-224884 filed July 26, 2000.

14. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information:

☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) ☐ of prior application No:

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Drawings (2 sheets - Figs. 1-5)

Unexecuted Declaration

Letter Under Rule 37

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RE: New U.S. Application for Letters Patent entitled
"SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND MANUFACTURING METHOD
THEREOF"
Applicant(s) Takeshi Nogami, et al.
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Dear Sir

Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.41(c), I am filing the attached application,
including 7 claims (2 independent), 2 sheets of drawings (Figs. 1-5) and the filing fee of
\$790.00 on behalf of

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and request that the application be assigned a serial number and filing date pursuant to the
provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) and 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d).

Very truly yours,

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Enclosures

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